

RACIAL PROFILING DATA/2000

Agency: Lake St. Louis Police Dept.

Population: 7,674

age 18 and over

KEY INDICATORS	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Am. Indian	Other
Stops	1584	1402	122	14	13	8	25
Searches	89	75	10	2	0	1	1
Arrests	71	61	8	0	0	1	1
Statewide population %	N/A	86.38	10.41	1.82	1.43	1.03	0.99
Local population %	N/A	96.12	1.88	1.29	1.15	0.53	0.42
Disparity index	N/A	0.92	4.10	0.69	0.72	0.95	3.78
Search rate	5.62	5.35	8.20	14.29	0.00	12.50	4.00

Notes:

Population figures are for those who are 18 years of age and older. Figures are from the 2000 Census (driving-age figures are not yet available).

Black, Asian, and American Indian includes persons of mixed race. Other race includes unknown race.

The disparity index = proportion of stops / proportion of population. A value of 1 represents no disparity; values greater than 1 indicate over-representation.

Search rate = (searches / stops) X 100.

#Error indicates zero denominator.

TRAFFIC STOP STATS		Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Am. Indian	Other
Violation leading to stop	Moving	1206	1072	92	10	7	7	18
	Equipment	134	116	8	3	1	0	6
	License	256	222	26	1	5	1	1
Stop outcome	Citation	749	664	65	6	3	6	5
	Warning	821	728	54	8	10	2	19
Location of stop	Interstate hwy	629	530	75	8	4	4	8
	US hwy	303	279	18	1	2	0	3
	State hwy	276	253	16	1	1	1	4
	County road	36	32	3	0	0	0	1
	City street	339	308	10	4	6	3	8
	Other	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Driver gender	Male	1100	957	99	11	10	2	21
	Female	484	445	23	3	3	6	4
Driver age	17 and under	93	87	5	0	0	0	1
	18-29	712	622	60	9	7	5	9
	30-39	394	345	31	2	3	2	11
	40 and over	385	348	26	3	3	1	4

SEARCH STATS		Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Am. Indian	Other
Probable cause/ authority to search	Consent	33	29	3	1	0	0	0
	Inventory	4	4	0	0	0	0	0
	Drug/alcohol odor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Incident to arrest	51	42	7	0	0	1	1
	Plain view contraband	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
	Reasonable suspicion-weapon	3	2	0	1	0	0	0
	Drug-dog alert	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
What searched	Driver	75	62	9	2	0	1	1
	Car/property	85	73	8	2	0	1	1
Search duration	0-15 minutes	78	66	8	2	0	1	1
	16-30 minutes	11	9	2	0	0	0	0
	31+ minutes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Contra-band found	Drugs/alcohol	18	15	3	0	0	0	0
	Currency	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Weapon	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
	Stolen property	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Other	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Arrest charge	Outstanding warrant	31	23	7	0	0	0	1
	Drug violation	11	9	2	0	0	0	0
	Resist arrest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Offense against person	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	DWI/BAC	36	32	3	0	0	1	0
	Property offense	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Other	4	3	1	0	0	0	0

Agency response

One critical consideration in the analysis of the data submitted by the City of Lake Saint Louis is the fact that Interstate 70 borders the venue on the north and U.S. Highway 40/61 passes through the municipality near its southern border. For example, it should be noted that 61.5% of the traffic stops initiated where the driver was black occurred on the Interstate and 14.8% occurred on a U.S. Highway. Out of 122 traffic stops where the subject was black, only 10 occurred on City streets. The information on stops and searches is being compared to the local population percentages, but the majority of the stops involving black drivers were not conducted on City streets. While the City has a relatively low minority population, that is not necessarily the case for the population traveling the highways. A critical consideration in evaluating search rate is the fact that no distinction is made regarding the reason a search was initiated. For example, in the case of searches conducted on black drivers, 10 searches took place out of 122 driver encounters. While this may appear statistically high, it should be noted that 7 of those searches took place incident to arrest. The practice of searching individuals who are placed under arrest is required not only for officer safety, but also to secure and safeguard the property of the individual being arrested. The arrests made in

these 7 incidents were made on outstanding warrants.